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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 11-292, 11-300, 12-262 AND 22-117, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING SECTION 22-201, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 2007, CHAPTER 131, SECTION 2; AMENDING SECTION 36-2928, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; MAKING APPROPRIATIONS; RELATING TO JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

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 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona: Section 1. Section 11-292, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

11-292. Medical care: definition

- A. The board of supervisors, subject to the applicable provisions of title 42, chapter 17, articles 2 and 3, shall include in its annual budget an amount equal to fifty per cent of the amount budgeted by the county board of supervisors or the amount expended, whichever is less, for the hospitalization and medical care of the indigent sick pursuant to this article for fiscal year 1980-1981, except for Yuma and La Paz counties. The contribution amounts of those counties shall be equal to the amount Yuma county would have made pursuant to this subsection if a division had not occurred apportioned between the counties. The office of the auditor general shall determine the amount Yuma county would otherwise have included if a division had not occurred and shall then determine the contribution amounts of Yuma and La Paz counties based on the proportionate share of the estimated population in these counties as of July 1, 1982.
- B. For fiscal year 1994-1995, and for each fiscal year thereafter, the state treasurer shall withhold an amount sufficient to meet the county portion of the nonfederal costs of providing long-term care system services, pursuant to title 36, chapter 29, article 2, excluding services to the developmentally disabled, from monies otherwise payable to the county under section 42-5029, subsection D, paragraph 2. This amount and the state portion of the nonfederal costs shall be specified in the annual appropriation for the maintenance and operation of the Arizona health care cost containment system. For fiscal years 1994-1995, 1995-1996 and 1996-1997, monies shall be withheld from each county based on the following percentages derived from a state auditor general's certified audit of fiscal year 1987-1988 county long-term care and home health care expenditures, except that amounts withheld shall be adjusted to reflect amounts paid by counties pursuant to section 36-2952:

32	1.	Apache:	0.22%
33	2.	Cochise:	2,49%
34	3.	Coconino:	0.66%
35	4.	Gila:	2.56%
36	5.	Graham:	0.64%
37	6.	Greenlee:	0.34%
38	7.	La Paz:	0.34%
39	8.	Maricopa:	56.55%
40	9.	Mohave:	2.73%
41	10.	Navajo:	0.91%
42	11.	Pima:	20.55%
43	12.	Pinal:	5.09%
44	13.	Santa Cruz:	1.05%
45	14.	Yavapai:	3.12%

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15. Yuma: 2.75%

C. In each fiscal year, of the total amount that is specified in the annual appropriation as the nonfederal portion of the cost of providing long-term care services and that portion of the phased-down medicare prescription drug state contribution attributable to the Arizona long-term care system, excluding services and phased-down medicare prescription drug state contribution costs associated with the developmentally disabled, and that represents an increase from the amount that was specified in the annual appropriation for the prior fiscal year, the state shall pay fifty per cent of the increase. The remaining nonfederal portion of the costs shall be apportioned among the counties according to the proportion that each county's net nonfederal expenditures for long-term care services, excluding services to the developmentally disabled, bears to the total nonfederal expenditure for all counties two fiscal years earlier, with the following adjustments in the following order:

- 1. If the resulting net county contribution when expressed as an imputed property tax rate per one hundred dollars of net assessed value exceeds ninety cents, the county's contribution shall be reduced so that the imputed property tax rate equals ninety cents and the difference shall be paid by the state.
- 2. Any county with a native American population that represents at least twenty per cent of the county's total population according to the most recent United States decennial census shall contribute an amount equal to the prior fiscal year's contribution plus fifty per cent of the difference between the prior year's contribution were it calculated using the percentage in subsection B of this section and the current year's contribution as if its share of the total nonfederal portion of the long-term care costs had been calculated using the percentage prescribed in subsection B of this section and the state shall pay any difference from the amount otherwise required by this subsection.
- 3. If, after making the adjustments in this subsection, a county would contribute more than if its contribution were calculated using the percentage prescribed in subsection B of this section multiplied by the total nonfederal costs of long-term care services, excluding services to the developmentally disabled, the county's contribution shall be reduced to the sum of its prior year's contribution plus fifty per cent of the difference between the prior year's contribution were it calculated using the percentage in subsection B of this section and the current year's contribution as if its share of the total nonfederal portion of long-term care costs had been calculated using the percentage prescribed in subsection B of this section and the state shall pay any difference from the amount otherwise required by this subsection.
- 4. After making all of the adjustments in this subsection, a statewide per capita county contribution shall be calculated by summing the contributions for all counties and then dividing the resulting total by the total state population. If an individual county's contribution when

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expressed as a per capita contribution exceeds the statewide per capita county contribution, the county's contribution shall be reduced so that the county's contribution equals the statewide per capita contribution and the difference shall be paid by the state. For the purposes of this paragraph, "population" means the population estimate approved by the director of the department of economic security for the most recent fiscal year.

- D. The director of the Arizona health care cost containment system administration shall notify each county of the amount determined pursuant to subsection A of this section to be included in its annual budget no later than May 1 of each year.
- E. If a county does not provide funding as specified in subsection A of this section, the state treasurer shall subtract the amount owed to the Arizona health care cost containment system fund by the county from any payments required to be made by the state treasurer to that county pursuant to section 42-5029, subsection D, paragraph 2, plus interest on that amount pursuant to section 44-1201 retroactive to the first day the funding was due. If the monies the state treasurer withholds are insufficient to meet that county's funding requirement as specified in subsection A of this section, the state treasurer shall withhold from any other monies payable to that county from whatever state funding source is available an amount necessary to fulfill that county's requirement. The state treasurer shall not withhold distributions from the highway user revenue fund pursuant to title 28, chapter 18, article 2.
- F. Each month payment of an amount equal to one-twelfth of the total amount determined pursuant to subsection A of this section shall be made to the state treasurer. Payment of this amount shall be made to the state treasurer on or before the fifth day of each month. Upon request from the director of the Arizona health care cost containment system administration, the state treasurer shall require that up to three months' payments be made in advance, if necessary.
- G. The state treasurer shall deposit the amounts paid pursuant to subsection F of this section and amounts withheld pursuant to subsection E of this section in the Arizona health care cost containment system fund established by section 36-2913.
- H. If payments made pursuant to subsection F of this section exceed the amount required to meet the costs incurred by the Arizona health care cost containment system for the hospitalization and medical care of a person who is defined as an eligible person pursuant to section 36-2901, paragraph 6, subdivision (a), the director of the Arizona health care cost containment system administration may instruct the state treasurer either to reduce remaining payments to be paid pursuant to this section by a specified amount or to provide to the counties specified amounts from the Arizona health care cost containment system fund.
- I. The amount of the county contribution to the Arizona health care cost containment system fund established by section 36-2913 shall not exceed

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thirty-three per cent of the amount that the system administration expended in the county for fiscal year 1983-1984. For the purposes of this subsection, system administration expenditures in a county for fiscal year 1983-1984 are the total capitation and fee for service amounts paid by the system administration to providers in a county before February 1, 1986 for services rendered during fiscal year 1983-1984 to persons eligible for the system.

- J. The state treasurer shall deposit amounts withheld pursuant to subsection E of this section in the Arizona health care cost containment system fund established by section 36-2913.
- $\mathsf{K.}$ J. The state treasurer shall deposit the monies withheld from the counties and contributed by the state pursuant to subsection B of this section in the long-term care system fund established by section 36-2913, in twelve equal monthly installments. The monthly installments shall be deposited in the fund by the state treasurer by the fourth working day of each month.
- \leftarrow K. By July 1 or within sixty days after enactment of the annual appropriation for the maintenance and operation of the Arizona health care cost containment system, whichever is later, and after consulting with the joint legislative budget committee and the governor's office of strategic planning and budgeting, the state treasurer shall notify each county of the amount to be withheld pursuant to subsection B of this section.
- M. L. If the monies deposited in the long-term care system fund pursuant to subsection K J of this section are insufficient to meet the funding requirement as specified in the annual appropriation for the maintenance and operation of the Arizona health care cost containment system pursuant to subsection B of this section, the state treasurer shall withhold from any other monies payable to that county from any available state funding source, other than the highway user revenue fund, the amount required to fulfill fifty per cent of the funding requirement and shall deposit the monies in the long-term care system fund. The state shall pay the remaining fifty per cent of the funding requirement.
- N. If any monies in the funds for the purpose of title 36, chapter 29, article 2 remain unexpended at the end of the fiscal year, the director of the Arizona health care cost containment system administration shall specify to the state treasurer the amount to be withdrawn from the long-term care system fund. Of the amount specified, the state treasurer shall distribute fifty per cent to the counties pursuant to subsection B or C of this section. The remaining fifty per cent shall be distributed to the state.
- O. N. The board of supervisors of a county that is a program contractor pursuant to section 36-2940 shall include in its annual budget, subject to title 42, chapter 17, articles 2 and 3, monies received from the Arizona health care cost containment system fund and long-term care system fund for the purposes of title 36, chapter 29, article 2.

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P. O. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, beginning in fiscal year 2005-2006 and in each fiscal year thereafter, the state treasurer shall withhold a total of two million three hundred ninety-five thousand four hundred dollars for the county contribution for the administrative costs of implementing sections 36-2901.01 and 36-2901.04 beginning with the second monthly distribution of transaction privilege tax revenues otherwise distributable after subtracting any amounts withheld for the county long-term care contribution. Beginning in fiscal year 2006-2007, the state treasurer shall adjust the amount withheld according to the annual changes in the GDP price deflator and as calculated by the joint legislative budget committee Beginning in fiscal year 2006-2007, the joint legislative budget committee shall calculate an additional adjustment of the allocation required by this subsection based on changes in the population as reported by the department of economic security. For the purposes of this subsection, "GDP price deflator" has the same meaning prescribed in section 41–563. county's annual contribution is as follows:

- 1. Apache, 3.296 per cent.
- 2. Cochise, 6.148 per cent.
- 3. Coconino, 6.065 per cent.
- 4. Gila, 2.491 per cent.
- 5. Graham, 1.7710 per cent.
- 6. Greenlee, 0.455 per cent.
- 7. La Paz, 0.9430 per cent.
- 8. Mohave, 7.079 per cent.
- 9. Navajo, 4.640 per cent.
- 10. Pima, 42.168 per cent.
- 11. Pinal, 8.251 per cent.
- 12. Santa Cruz, 1.950 per cent.
- 13. Yavapai, 7.794 per cent.
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 - 14. Yuma, 6.949 per cent.
- Q. P. The state treasurer shall deposit the amounts paid pursuant to subsection P=0 of this section in the budget neutrality compliance fund established by section 36-2928.
- R. Q. Beginning in fiscal year 2006-2007 for a county that is subject to section 12-269, the county's contributions pursuant to this section shall be reduced by the amount of state aid for probation services that the county would have received in the first fiscal year in which the county does not receive state aid for probation services. Any increase in the county's contributions in subsequent years shall be reduced according to its proportionate share of the base contribution. County contributions shall be reduced in the following priority:
- 1. First as applied to the contribution provided for in subsection $\stackrel{\text{P}}{\sim}$ 0 of this section.

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- 2. Second as applied to the contribution provided for in subsection A of this section or any other contribution for acute care or for the provision of hospitalization and medical care that would otherwise be required.
- 3. Third as applied to the contribution provided for in subsection C of this section.
- R. BEGINNING IN FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008 FOR A COUNTY THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 22-117, SUBSECTION D, THE COUNTY'S CONTRIBUTIONS PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF THE STATE REIMBURSEMENT THAT THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE RECEIVED IN FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008 FOR THE SALARIES OF JUSTICES OF THE PEACE PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-217, SUBSECTION B. ANY INCREASE IN THE COUNTY'S CONTRIBUTIONS IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS SHALL BE REDUCED ACCORDING TO ITS PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE BASE CONTRIBUTION. COUNTY CONTRIBUTIONS SHALL BE REDUCED IN THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY:
- 1. FIRST AS APPLIED TO THE CONTRIBUTION PROVIDED FOR IN SUBSECTION O OF THIS SECTION.
- 2. SECOND AS APPLIED TO THE CONTRIBUTION PROVIDED FOR IN SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION OR ANY OTHER CONTRIBUTION FOR ACUTE CARE OR FOR THE PROVISION OF HOSPITALIZATION AND MEDICAL CARE THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE REQUIRED.
- S. For the purposes of this section, "net assessed value" includes the values used to determine voluntary contributions collected pursuant to title 9, chapter 4, article 3 and title 48, chapter 1, article 8.
 - Sec. 2. Section 11-300, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 11-300. Tobacco settlement agreement: decreased payments: county contribution
- A. If the total of the initial payment, annual payment and strategic contribution payment, as these terms are prescribed by sections 9b and 9c IX(b) AND IX(c) of the master settlement agreement entered into on November 23, 1998 between this state and certain United States tobacco product manufacturers, in any fiscal year is less than sixty-six per cent of the original amount identified in that agreement, and the state has used all previous tobacco settlement payments to administer and provide health care, in the following fiscal year the counties shall contribute an amount that equals thirty-three per cent of the difference between the actual payment and sixty-six per cent of that original amount identified for each year of the master settlement agreement. The staff of the joint legislative budget committee shall calculate the total county contribution pursuant to this subsection.
- B. The state shall use monies paid by the counties pursuant to subsection A of this section to provide indigent health care services. If the state does not use all settlement payments for health care costs, the counties are not required to provide monies pursuant to this section.
- C. A county's share of the payments prescribed pursuant to subsection A of this section is the percentage of that county's current population to the state's current population. The staff of the joint legislative budget committee shall calculate each county's contribution. For the purposes of

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 this subsection, "current population" means the population estimated by the department of economic security as of July 1 of the calendar year that precedes the beginning of a fiscal year.

- D. The state treasurer shall withhold the amount owed by a county from any payments required to be made by the state treasurer to that county pursuant to section 42-5029, subsection D, paragraph 2 after any amounts withheld for the county long-term care contribution or the county administration contribution pursuant to section 11-292, subsection $P\!\!=\!\!0$. If the monies the state treasurer withholds are insufficient to meet that county's funding requirements as specified in this section, the state treasurer shall withhold from any other monies payable to that county from whatever state funding source is available an amount necessary to fulfill that county's requirements. The state treasurer may not withhold distribution from the highway user revenue fund pursuant to title 28, chapter 18, article 2.
- E. On or before the fifth day of each month each county shall pay to the state treasurer an amount equal to one-twelfth of the total monies prescribed pursuant to this section. The state treasurer shall deposit these monies in the budget neutrality compliance fund established by section 36-2928. On request from the director of the Arizona health care cost containment system administration, the state treasurer shall require a county to make up to three months' payments in advance.
 - Sec. 3. Section 12-262, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 12-262. Submission of plan; use of funds: report
- A. The presiding judge of the superior court in each county desiring to improve, maintain or expand juvenile probation services, or to achieve or maintain the average adult probation case supervision requirement prescribed in section 12-251, may prepare a plan in accordance with guidelines issued by the supreme court. The plan shall be submitted to the state supreme court. The supreme court guidelines shall require that the plan include:
- 1. That funds received under this article shall be used primarily for payment of salaries of probation officers supervising adults or juveniles on probation to the superior, justice or municipal court.
- 2. That the funds provided by the state for this purpose will be used to supplement county funds provided for probation services.
- 3. The proposed budget necessary to implement the plan, including the amount currently budgeted for that county's probation program.
 - B. If a county is subject to section 12-269, the following apply:
- 1. Beginning in fiscal year 2006-2007, the county's contribution to the hospitalization and medical care of the indigent sick, to the nonfederal portion of providing long-term care and for the administrative costs of implementing sections 36-2901.01 and 36-2901.04 shall be reduced pursuant to section 11-292, subsection R— Q.

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- 2. The economic estimates commission shall increase the county's base expenditure limit beginning in the fiscal year that the county assumes funding responsibility pursuant to section 41-563, subsection D.
- C. The supreme court shall report to the joint legislative budget committee all amounts provided to any county pursuant to this article for adult probation services or juvenile probation services.
 - Sec. 4. Section 22-117, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 22-117. Payment of compensation and expenses
- A. Justices of the peace shall be allowed by the board of supervisors, as a county charge, office rent, stationery, telephone and lights.
- B. IN A COUNTY WITH A POPULATION OF LESS THAN ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND PERSONS, the state shall pay forty per cent of the compensation and employee related expenditures of a justice of the peace, and the county shall pay sixty per cent of the compensation and employee related expenditures of a justice of the peace, except that the county shall pay the full amount of the employer contribution of the state retirement system or plan or any county health plan.
- C. IF A COUNTY IS SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION, the state treasurer shall remit the compensation and employee related expenditures payable by the state to the county treasurer, and the county shall disburse the funds to the justice of the peace.
- D. IN A COUNTY WITH A POPULATION OF ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND PERSONS OR MORE, THE COUNTY SHALL PAY ONE HUNDRED PER CENT OF THE COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYEE RELATED EXPENDITURES OF A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.
- E. IF A COUNTY IS SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION D OF THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING APPLY:
- 1. BEGINNING IN FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008, THE COUNTY'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE HOSPITALIZATION AND MEDICAL CARE OF THE INDIGENT SICK AND FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF IMPLEMENTING SECTIONS 36-2901.01 AND 36-2901.04 SHALL BE REDUCED PURSUANT TO SECTION 11-292, SUBSECTION R, IN AN AMOUNT THAT IS EQUAL TO THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TOTAL COSTS THAT THE COUNTY PAID PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION D OF THIS SECTION AND THE AMOUNT THAT THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE PAID IF THE COUNTY WERE SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION.
- 2. PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-563, SUBSECTION D AND BEGINNING IN FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008, THE ECONOMIC ESTIMATES COMMISSION SHALL INCREASE THE COUNTY'S BASE EXPENDITURE LIMIT IN AN AMOUNT THAT IS EQUAL TO THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TOTAL COSTS THAT THE COUNTY PAID PURSUANT SUBSECTION D OF THIS SECTION AND THE AMOUNT THAT THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE PAID IF THE COUNTY WERE SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION.
- Sec. 5. Section 22-201, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws 2007, chapter 131, section 2, is amended to read:

22-201. <u>Jurisdiction of civil actions</u>

A. Justices of the peace have jurisdiction only as affirmatively conferred on them by law.

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- B. Justices of the peace have exclusive original jurisdiction of all civil actions when the amount involved, exclusive of interest, costs and awarded attorney fees when authorized by law, is ten thousand dollars or less.
- C. Justices of the peace have jurisdiction concurrent with the superior court in cases of forcible entry and detainer when the amount involved, exclusive of interest, costs and awarded attorney fees when authorized by law, is ten thousand dollars or less.
- D. Justices of the peace have jurisdiction to try the right to possession of real property when title or ownership is not a subject of inquiry in the action. If in any such action the title or ownership of real property becomes an issue, the justice shall so certify in the docket, at once stop further proceedings in the action and forward all papers, together with a certified copy of the docket entries in the action, to the superior court, where the action shall be docketed and determined as though originally brought in the superior court.
- E. In a county with a population of more than two million persons, the justice of the peace of each justice precinct shall have original jurisdiction to hear the following actions that occur in the respective precinct in which the justice of the peace court is located ELECTED:
 - 1. Civil actions pursuant to subsections B and C of this section.
 - 2. Small claims pursuant to chapter 5 of this title.
- 3. Civil traffic offenses unless a civil traffic offense is filed in a municipal court by a municipal officer or agent or by an officer employed by a law enforcement agency under contract to that municipality to provide law enforcement services.
- 4. Special detainers and forcible detainers pursuant to title 33, chapters 11 and 19 and forcible detainers pursuant to title 33, chapter 3 if the amount of rent requested is ten thousand dollars or less.
- F. In actions between landlord and tenant for possession of leased premises, the title to the property leased shall not be raised nor made an issue.
- G. If in any action before a justice of the peace a party files a verified pleading that states as a counterclaim a claim in which the amount involved, exclusive of interest and costs, is more than ten thousand dollars, the justice of the peace shall certify this in the docket, at once stop further proceedings in the action and forward all papers, together with a certified copy of the docket entries in the action, to the superior court, where the action shall be docketed and determined as though originally brought in the superior court. The party shall pay to the clerk of the superior court the same fees required to be paid by a defendant, and no other party in the action before the justice of the peace shall be required to pay any sum. If the party is finally adjudged to be entitled to recover on the counterclaim, exclusive of interest and costs, ten thousand dollars or less, the superior court may deny costs to the party and in addition, may impose

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costs, including reasonable attorney fees, on the party. The superior court shall have original jurisdiction of the action, but at any time in furtherance of convenience or to avoid prejudice, or if it appears that the amount involved in the counterclaim, exclusive of interest and costs, is ten thousand dollars or less, it may remand the action, or any claim or counterclaim of which the justice court has jurisdiction, to the justice court and may order costs.

- H. The justice of the peace may require arbitration or other dispute resolution methods that are approved by the supreme court in all civil actions, except forcible entry or detainer actions.
 - Sec. 6. Section 36-2928, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 36-2928. <u>Budget neutrality compliance fund</u>; nonlapsing
- A. The budget neutrality compliance fund is established consisting of third party liability recoveries pursuant to section 36-2913, county contributions deposited pursuant to section 11-292, subsection P-0 and section 11-300, subsection P-E and appropriations. The administration shall administer the fund. Monies in the fund are continuously appropriated and do not revert to the state general fund.
- B. On notice from the administration, the state treasurer shall invest and divest monies in the fund as provided by section 35-313, and monies earned from investment shall be credited to the Arizona tobacco litigation settlement fund established by section 36-2901.02.
- C. The administration shall use any remaining fund monies to pay for expenditures made pursuant to section 36-2901.02, subsection B, paragraph 1 if sufficient monies are not available in the Arizona tobacco litigation settlement fund established by section 36-2901.02, except that the administration shall use fund monies deposited pursuant to section 11-292, subsection Θ —P for any direct and indirect eligibility costs associated with the expansion of program services.
- D. On or before June 30 of each year, the administration shall transfer from the Arizona tobacco litigation settlement fund established by section 36-2901.02 an amount necessary to reimburse the fund established pursuant to this section for its expenditures made to cover costs associated with the expanded definition of eligibility pursuant to section 36-2901.01, 36-2901.04 or 36-2903.03.
- E. Notwithstanding subsection C of this section, in fiscal year 2001-2002, the administration shall use forty-six million seven hundred thirty-six thousand dollars of fund monies for maintenance of effort for the state match for persons who are determined eligible pursuant to section 36-2901.01, 36-2901.04 or 36-2903.03. Beginning in fiscal year 2002-2003 and each fiscal year thereafter, the administration shall adjust this amount for inflation based on the GDP price deflator as defined in section 41-563.

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Sec. 7. Arizona health care cost containment system: appropriations

- A. In addition to any other law, the appropriation made to the Arizona health care cost containment system from county funds in fiscal year 2007-2008 is reduced by \$892,400 for those counties taking on additional justice of the peace costs pursuant to section 22-117, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act.
- B. The sum of \$892,400 is appropriated from the state general fund in fiscal year 2007-2008 to the Arizona health care cost containment system to offset the reduction for counties subject to section 22-117, Arizona Revised Statutes. as amended by this act.

Sec. 8. Counties: reduction

In accordance with section 11-292, subsection R, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, for a county that is subject to section 22-117, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, that county's contribution shall be reduced by \$892,400.

Sec. 9. State treasurer: appropriation

The appropriation made from the state general fund to the state treasurer justice of the peace salaries special line item in fiscal year 2007-2008 is reduced by \$892,400 due to counties taking on additional salary costs pursuant to section 22-117, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act.

Sec. 10. Retroactivity

Sections 11-292, 11-300, 12-262, 22-117 and 36-2928, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, section 7 of this act, relating to appropriations to the Arizona health care cost containment system, section 8 of this act, relating to counties reduction, and section 9 of this act, relating to an appropriation to the state treasurer apply retroactively to from and after June 30, 2007.

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